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1. The 80th Infantry Battalion, [redacted] a guard unit, is stationed in Prague-Hotel. Officer personnel of the Battalion include the following:
- a. Battalion CO
Major Bedrich Kotek, 48 years old, tall, stout, with dark hair, a Communist. He is a graduate of the War College.
 - b. Deputy CO
Major Josef Rehak, 40 years old, short, slim, with dark hair, a Communist.
 - c. Political Deputy
1st Lt. Jiri Brabensec, 28 years old, short, slim, blond, an ardent Communist. Under him are Corporal Wipier, 25 years old, tall, slender, blond, a fanatical Communist; and Private Ambos, 23 years old, of medium build, with dark hair, a Communist.
 - d. OZ Officer
Staff Captain Borsky, 26 years old, of medium build, with thin brown hair, an ardent Communist. Under him is Corporal Jaroslav Valenta, 24 years old, of medium build, with brown hair, a Communist. He is chairman of the KSC.
 - e. Chief of Staff
Staff Captain Richard Kechacek, 40 years old, stout. It is believed that he is under arrest.
 - f. Operations Officer
Lt. Kylik, 26 years old, tall, slim, with blond hair, a Communist.
 - g. Mobilization Officer
Staff Captain Antonin Socha, 43 years old, short, with thin brown hair, a non-Communist. See para. 1a.
 - h. PT (sic) Officer
Staff Captain Jaroslav Brasnax, a Slovak, 32 years old, tall, slim, with blond hair, an ardent Communist.

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- r. CO of the Emergency Reserve Training Co. Captain Stanislav Havelka, 40 years old, tall, stout, a Communist. This unit is based in Hotel Camp.
- s. CO of Replacement Company Major Josef Rehak (see 1b). His deputy is Captain Václav Flecký, 36 years old, of medium build, bald. Attached to the company are Lt. Kuliš, 30 years old, tall, stout, with red hair; Lt. Jaroslav Bradac, 28 years old, a graduate of the Military Academy in 1949; Cadet Sergeant Václav Filer, 24 years old, tall, stout, with blond hair.

2. The 80th Infantry Battalion supplies the following guard details:

- a. Hotel Camp guard of eight men armed with pistols and rifles.
- b. Hotel Castle guard of four men during the day, seven men at night.
- c. Hradecny Prison guard of eight men armed with pistols and submachine guns.
- d. Strosovice General Hospital Reserve Officer Ward guard of eight men armed with pistols and submachine guns.
- e. Hradecny Hospital guard of five men.
- f. Peary Ammunition Depot guard of 30 men.
- g. Vrsovice Motor Pool guard of five men armed with pistols and rifles.
- h. Readiness detail of 42 men armed with pistols, rifles, four light machine guns.
- i. Honor guards.

25X1A Comments: Since it is improbable that an officer of the rank of lieutenant colonel should be in command of an SM company, it is believed possible that Straka is actually in command of the Mariá Redoubt barracks. In this case, Lt. Fikeš is probably CO of the SM company.

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